

Please amend the application as follows:

In the Specification

Please amend the Abstract to read as follows:

Friction control articles for use in healthcare applications, the articles generally comprising a backing layer having a first surface and a second surface, where projecting from the first surface of the backing layer is an array of stems, wherein at least a portion of the exterior surface of the stems comprises an elastomeric material. Also disclosed are friction control articles having a coefficient of friction when dry along at least a portion of the first surface of at least 0.6. Multilayered and dual-sided friction control articles are also provided.

In the Claims

Please amend claims 1 and 24 as follows:

1. A medical drape comprising:

a backing layer having a first surface and a second surface, where projecting from the first surface of the backing layer is an array of stems which are integrally formed with the backing layer;

wherein at least a portion of the exterior surface of the stems comprises an elastomeric material selected from the group consisting of anionic triblock copolymers; thermoplastic elastomers based on halogen-containing polyolefins; thermoplastic elastomers based on dynamically vulcanized elastomer-thermoplastic blends; thermoplastic polyether ester and polyester based elastomers; thermoplastic elastomers based on polyamides or polyimides; ionomeric thermoplastic elastomers; hydrogenated block copolymers in thermoplastic elastomer interpenetrating polymer networks; thermoplastic elastomers made by carbocationic polymerization; polymer blends containing styrene/hydrogenated butadiene block copolymers; polyacrylate-based thermoplastic elastomers; natural rubbers; butyl rubbers; EPDM rubbers;